1413.107 Availability of funds and maximum eligible acreage and production.

1413.108 Applicant's maximum payment quantity.

1413.109 Calculation of assistance.

1413.110 Offsets and withholdings.

1413.111 Assignments.

1413.112 Appeals.

1413.113 Other regulations

AUTHORITY: 7 U.S.C. 7999; 15 U.S.C. 714b and 714c.

SOURCE:  $68\ FR\ 5207$ , Feb. 3, 2003, unless otherwise noted.

## §1413.101 Applicability.

- (a) These regulations in this part set forth the terms and conditions of the Hard White Wheat Incentive Program. The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 provides that \$20,000,000 of the funds of CCC shall be available during the 2003 through the 2005 crop years for producers to produce and market hard white wheat limits this program to not more than a total of 2,000,000 acres or an equivalent volume of 120,000,000 bushels of production for the 2003 through 2005 crop years.
- (b) A production payment incentive shall be available only for hard white wheat that grades U.S. # 2 grade or higher, established by the Federal Grain Inspection Service, that is produced and harvested in the United States
- (c) A certified seed incentive payment shall be available for each acre planted to certified hard white wheat seed, as approved by CCC. Producers are eligible to receive incentive payments for the production incentive or the certified seed incentive, or both. Each incentive payment is independent of the other.

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## §1413.102 Administration.

- (a) The program is administered under the general supervision of the Executive Vice-President, CCC, and shall be carried out by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) State and county committees (State and county committees).
- (b) State and county committees, their representatives and employees, have no authority to modify or waive

any of the provisions of the regulations of this part, except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section.

- (c) The State committee shall take any action required by the regulations of this part that the county committee has not taken. The State committee shall also:
- (1) Correct, or require a county committee to correct any action taken by such county committee that is not in accordance with the regulations of this part; or
- (2) Require a county committee to withhold taking any action that is not in accordance with the regulations of this part.
- (d) No provision or delegation of this part to a State or county committee shall preclude the Executive Vice President, CCC, or a designee, from determining any question arising under the program or from reversing or modifying any determination made by the State or county committee.
- (e) The Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs, FSA, may authorize State and county committees to waive or modify deadlines and other program requirements in cases where lateness or failure to meet such other requirements do not adversely affect the operation of this program and does not violate statutory limitations on the program.
- (f) Any payment applications not executed in accordance with the terms and conditions determined and announced by CCC, including any purported execution prior to the dates authorized by the Executive Vice President, CCC, is null and void and shall not be considered to be a contract between CCC and any person executing the contract.

## § 1413.103 Definitions.

The definitions set forth in this section shall be applicable for all purposes of administering the Hard White Wheat Incentive Program established by this part.

Application period means the date established by the Deputy Administrator for producers of hard white wheat to apply for program benefits.

CCC means the Commodity Credit Corporation.